

CONTRACT LAW DIVISION

Office of Assistant General Counsel for Finance and Litigation

Biweekly Report—Period Ending April 08, 2000

GS Tech v. DOC—GSBCA No. 15247-COM

Conference call with Judge Daniels and opposing counsel was held on April 6. Discovery is to be exchanged no later than Friday April 14 and to close by Monday May 1, 2000. The hearing is set for Thursday June 8 in Charleston, S.C. Interrogatories and requests for documents and admissions are being drafted. (Amy Kiger Crotts)

.us Procurement

Amy Freeman Pierce participated in a meeting with NTIA officials regarding the upcoming procurement for management of .us domain space, registration and other services. It is anticipated that a draft RFP will be posted on the web for comment in the next few months.

REA- Raffield Industries

Diane Canzano is reviewing the response by technical personnel to questions from this office relating to the REA by Raffield Industries, Inc. A meeting with opposing counsel, likely for next week, to discuss REA in light of additional information submitted by technical personnel.

GFDL Supercomputer

The RFP for the Princeton GFDL Supercomputer has finally been released and this procurement is occupying much of CLDer Mark Langstein's recent attention. In addition to an intensive solicitation review, Mark is scheduled to participate next week in vendor site visits. Responses are due in late May. Other NOAA work has also been keeping Mark out of trouble. He is advising NWS on informally resolving contractual difficulties with NOAA Weather Wire provider Dyncorp and has also stepped up his advice to the NEXRAD Temporary Power Program, which provides UPS services to the NEXRAD sites. The delivered temporary power systems are failing at an accelerating rate and it now appears that a complete re-engineering may be required to make the units perform to spec. Mark is advising the program on contractual and legal alternatives

NOAA/Datacom, Inc.

A replacement contract for the minimum-maximum temperature units has been awarded and the government's claim against Datacom for excess costs of

reprocurement and expenses incurred in getting the GFP back has been drafted. The claim will be sent to Datacom once the replacement contract is complete and final payment made as required by FAR 49.402-6(c). (Amy Kiger Crotts)

Advanced Measurement Laboratory

Fred Kopatich and Amy Crotts reviewed background and met with contracting and program personnel to discuss the status of the procurement and attended the pre-solicitation conference to discuss small business subcontracting opportunities.

NIST Digital Signature COMMITS

NIST concluded oral presentations with those offerors remaining in the competition after the recent involuntary down-selection. BAFO requests have been sent by the CO and are expected shortly. (Edward Weber)

NIST

NIST's Acquisition Assistance Division held a welcoming breakfast meeting for new NIST attorney Fred Kopatich and returning NIST attorney Amy Kiger Crotts on April 6. Contract personnel and the attorneys discussed areas where CLD met their need as well as areas that could be improved.

CLD "Time to Complete"—2.6 Days

Actions by Contract Law Division during Period from 12/19/1999 04/08/2000

Bureau	Received	Completed
NIST	1	0
NOAA	10	9
Totals	11	9

Contract Law Division—Client Workload
Period Ending 04/08/2000

